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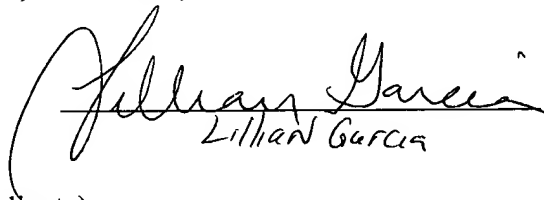
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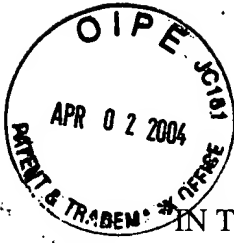
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

☒ a Response to Office Action; Action; and ☒ postcard; to be filed in  
the above-identified application.

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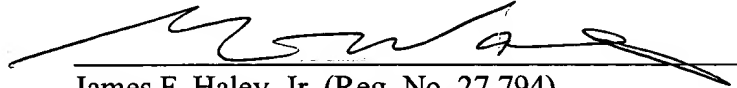
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Respectfully submitted,



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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This responds to the February 2, 2004 Office Action in the above-identified application.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.